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Church Women United in Greater Dayton — July 2020

# Don't miss the August Board meeting!

Zoom

Did you know that you do not have to be a Key Woman to attend the Church Women United Board meetings? Although ALL Key Women and Denominational Secretaries are encouraged to attend the meetings, you (as a member of your church) are also most welcome.

**NEXT MEETING: Our August Board meeting (Aug. 25, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.) will be via ZOOM!** Please watch for an email for log-on information from President Cecelia M. Long. Questions? Contact Cecelia at 937-972-7045 or cealong48@gmail.com.

Due to the closing of Memorial Presbyterian Church, the September and October board meetings for our 2020-2021 program year will take place at Fairview United Methodist Church, 828 West Fairview Ave., (corner of Catalpa Dr. and Fairview Ave.). Come to the parking lot and enter the door under the green awning. (Please watch for news about the location of the 2021 board meetings.)



Fairview United Methodist Church, 828 West Fairview Ave., Dayton (corner of Catalpa Dr. and Fairview Ave.)

The August speaker will be Barbara Hudson-Banner, Executive Director of Mercy Manor. Normally, attendees are encouraged to donate items at the board meeting. Those requested items by Mercy Manor at this point in time are: paper products, cleaning products, \$10, \$20, and \$25 gift cards (Kroger or Walmart); hair products; RTA bus passes or tokens. Please see the list of examples in the Mercy Manor article on page 5. Because we are meeting via ZOOM, members are encouraged to drop off items at Mercy Manor, or send monetary donations to Mercy Manor, Inc., 25 Grosvenor Ave., Dayton, OH 45417.

Members are also encouraged to donate cleaning supplies or monetary contributions to support Homefull. Homefull works together with their team members who share a common goal of making a difference within the scope of homelessness. Online gifts are especially appreciated at this time of COVID-19; please visit: http://www.homefull.org/get-involved/give-money/.

**Key Women:** Please mail the membership forms and payment from your church to our treasurer (Judith Philpot, 617 Osmond Ave., Dayton OH 45417). Include the church and individual memberships as well as the membership list. All forms are located on our website: <a href="https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/resources.html">https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/resources.html</a>.

#### Ohio CWU's AREA C and D MEETING

The information on this year's Area C &D Meeting has not yet been released! Please refer to our website for information regarding the date, time, and the location as soon as it is released. You will be able to find it under the What We Do tab on our website! https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/

#### Special Note: The two Valiant Woman Awards and the Human Rights Award

were not announced in the spring of 2020. They will be announced at the November World Community Celebration.

# President's Message from Cecelia Long...



Greetings Dear Ones! It is my honor to serve as the President of Church Women United (CWU) in Greater Dayton for another year. The first year brought its challenges as the whole world has faced a pandemic that continues to impact our lives. The issue of racism reminds us that all is not well. I am hopeful as I look forward to having meaningful board meetings and celebrations. I also look forward to hearing more about the needs of the community through our Ecumenical Action Committee. It is very important that we keep abreast of concerns and ways that we can contribute resources or monetary gifts to assist in efforts to reach out and help our community in times of greatest need.

I remind you to continue to keep updated about what is going on with the CWU in Greater Dayton by going on line to the web site: <a href="www.cwudaytonoh.org">www.cwudaytonoh.org</a>. The web site is changed on occasion to make announcements and to keep you informed of the latest happenings. It is my hope that more people will have computer access so that communications will be faster and more broad based. This is a new age and some things will not go back to the old ways.

#### In the Coming Year

Everywhere in the community we are hearing the phrase "Life as we have known it will never be the same." I imagine that no words have been expressed more often this year than that phrase. However, we have to pause and remember, that life, as we have known it, has never been "the same" from year to year for any of us.

Life for Church Women United in Greater Dayton will be similar to life in previous years. This upcoming year, we may find that we are *more grateful* for our times to be face-to-face. Even if those times require that we wear masks or follow other guidelines, we will do it. The commitment of CWU in Greater Dayton to use the priorities of the quadrennial to guide our actions and reflections *will not change*. The priorities for 2016-2020 are:

- #1 Human Rights Focus on Child Education Awareness
- #2 Hunger and Poverty Focus on Childhood Hunger
- #3 Health and Wellness Focus on Women's Health-Heart Disease
- #4 Diversity and Inclusiveness Focus on Racial, Ethnic Equality and Cultural Inclusion.

Just as our state and country are re-focusing on these issues, CWU will be *more focused on the Quadrennial Priorities*. We will dwell a little longer in conversations that will deepen our understanding of each other. We are a diverse organization and bring strength because many of us have been engaged in conversations about other issues. Now we can shift our emphases just a little to begin sharing that may bring more "AH-HA" moments. (More details later.)

Board Meetings of CWU in Greater Dayton will be on the fourth Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in August, September, October, February, April and May. In August, we will have a virtual meeting *via* ZOOM; September and October are now scheduled for Fairview United Methodist Church,

828 W. Fairview Avenue, Dayton 45406. Locations for 2021 are TBA. Meetings are primarily for Key Women, but all are welcomed.

May God continue to Bless and Keep you.

Cecelia M. Long

Questions? Contact Cecelia Long, CWU President cealong48@gmail.com 937-972-7045



Watch for the flyer with map in the October newsletter. In the meantime, please SAVE THE DATE !!! ALL are welcome!

### World Community Day:

November 14, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Greater Allen A.M.E. Church 1620 W. 5th St., Dayton 45402 Hostess Phyllis Caldwell: 937-268-1019

THEME
2020 Vision for the Future!
Resolve to Serve!

#### **Church World Service (CWS) Kits!**

Please remember to assemble your school or hygiene kits and get them to the collection sites on time! Here are two links to help you assemble the kits: <a href="https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/school-kits/">https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/hygiene</a> <a href="https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/hygiene-kits/">https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/hygiene-kits/</a>. <a href="https://cwskits.org/assemble-kits/hygiene-kits/hygiene-kits/">School kit contents include:</a> one pair of blunt scissors removed from the package (rounded tip, only); three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper); one 30-centimeter / 12" ruler; one hand-held pencil sharpener removed from the package; one large eraser (no pencil



cap erasers); six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers (please remove pencils from the package); one box of 24 crayons (only 24); one 12"x14" to 14"x17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with handles (solid color or kid-friendly fabric, no logos, reusable shopping bags or backpacks). **Hygiene Kit contents include:** one hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel or micro-fiber); one washcloth; one wide-tooth comb removed from the package; one fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable); one bath-size bar of soap in the original package; one toothbrush in the original package; ten standard size Band-Aids. All hygiene items need to fit inside a one-gallon Ziploc type bag. Remove the excess air from the bag and seal before boxing. Do NOT add any extra items or toothpaste. (A tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each hygiene kit just prior to its final journey.)

CWS asks that donors help cover a small amount of the shipping cost. (Do NOT take any money to the kit drop-off sites or put money in with the kits!) You can help cover these fees online at this website: <a href="https://cwskits.org/cws-kits-transport-and-processing/">https://cwskits.org/cws-kits-transport-and-processing/</a>. If you prefer to mail a check, please use the form found at this site: <a href="http://cwskits.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Kits">http://cwskits.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Kits</a> Shipping Form.pdf.

Last year, about 60,000 school kits were gathered and disseminated to children in need in such places as Dayton following the Memorial Day tornadoes, as well as numerous places throughout the world.

This year (due to the COVID-19 situation), please contact the collection site to inform them that you'll be bringing kits to the site. Collection sites and contact information for each site are listed here:

- Normandy UMC on Saturday, September 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.; 450 W. Alex Bell Rd, Dayton, OH 45459 Contact 937-433-1636; contact@normandyumc.org
- Phillipsburg UMC on Wednesday, September 16 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.; 43 S. State St., Phillipsburg, OH 45354 Contact: Malia Henriquez: 937-884-5563; malia.henry55@gmail.com

Need more information? Visit <a href="https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/other-projects.html">https://www.cwudaytonoh.org/other-projects.html</a> and scroll down to School Kits and Hygiene Kits. Otherwise, contact Claudia Chapman at 937-732-4939.





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Address corrections to Member Care Chair, Ina Green, 5285 Torch Ln, Dayton 45417 Questions? Contact Editor Martha Shields: martha.shields@earthlink.net.

#### **CWU in Greater Dayton has a WEBSITE!**

Find MANY resources at <a href="www.cwudaytonoh.org">www.cwudaytonoh.org</a>: posters / maps to our meetings; photos; programs and meeting information, officers, purpose, logo, bylaws, more! <a href="Questions">Questions</a>? Contact Webmaster Martha Shields (martha.shields@earthlink.net)



## **Highlights from our February 2020 Board Meeting!**



<u>SO</u> much has happened since we last met, face-to-face! We thought you might wish to see the many faces and smiles of those who attended our meeting! These are the smiles of wonderful Christian women — working together as a racially, culturally, theologically, inclusive Christian women's movement to celebrate unity and diversity and work for peace in the world! Won't you bring your smile and join us?

Chandler Patterson, Development Associate from Homefull, was the speaker for our February board meeting. His presentation was enlightening. Please visit their website for more information: http://www.homefull.org/ Please note that donations of cleaning supplies and monetary donations are most appreciated at this time. (Please bring these to the August board meeting—along with donations for Mercy Manor.)

Phyllis Caldwell, Key Woman from Greater Allen A.M. E. Church, gave the devotional. Reports were received from the Secretary and the Treasurer and many committee chairpersons.

Barbara Hudson-Banner, Executive Director of Mercy Manor, spoke about the Founder's Day Luncheon / Fundraiser on Saturday, March 21 at noon at Presidential Banquet Center. (Sadly, due to COVID-19, that was postponed to June 13 and then later cancelled.)

Emma Murray Prayer Breakfast information included a date change to May 24 at 9:30 a.m. at Fairview United Methodist Church. However, that breakfast was later cancelled.

Some of the other board meeting highlights included:

- Notice of Bylaws Revision meeting on Tuesday, March 10 at noon (Fairview UMC)
- Member Care; Fellowship of the Least Coin; GDCC updates; State Meeting; Quadrennial; HQ moving.

#### **Miscellaneous Memos:**

# NOTE: 2020 Quadrennial Assembly was CANCELLED! It is expected to be rescheduled for 2021.



**Mercy Manor** 

The CWU August 25 Board Meeting speaker will be Barbara Hudson-Banner from Mercy Manor!

Please consider donating the following items to Mercy Manor:

paper products, cleaning products, \$10, \$20, and \$25 gift cards

(Kroger or Walmart); hair products; RTA bus passes or tokens.

Please see examples at the bottom of this article.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2021 FOR THE ANNUAL FOUNDER'S DAY LUNCHEON AND FUNDRAISER!

#### WORDS FROM BARBARA HUDSON-BANNER:

Thanks to everyone for your donations, expressions of concern and support during this COVID-19 epidemic.

Canceling our Annual Founder's Day Luncheon and Fundraiser was extremely a hard thing for us to do, but not just because of the loss of financial support. We sincerely missed the camaraderie of all our friends, family, and supporters. Your spirit and support made that day extremely enjoyable for everyone. Mercy Manor graduates also missed seeing each other, meeting the new ladies of Mercy Manor, and all the love and support that they receive from everyone at the luncheon.

WE NEED YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT! We would also like to thank everyone for donations that you gave us for the banquet. This was a major financial relief for Mercy Manor. We are forever grateful for all your continued support during this time. Financial funding has begun being challenging. We are asking the churches/members of Church Women United (CWU), other congregations and organizations, if they would please consider making an annual financial contribution to help retain this worthy ministry for women.

MERCY MANOR WISH LIST: We would like to thank everyone for your prayers, your love, and donations. When the women arrive at Mercy Manor, they have nothing but the clothes on their backs. Your donations are instrumental in our daily operations and helping the women to get back on their feet, get a job, a place to live and to successfully move back into the community. Due to the coronavirus we have eliminated accepting used items as donations as we are aligning our processes with how our partners are managing donations during this time. We are in need of paper goods (toilet tissue, paper towels, facial tissues, trash bags – tall kitchen and large), cleaning products (laundry detergent, body soap, Pine Sol, bleach, Windex, Lysol cleaner and spray), gift cards to Kroger and Walmart (\$10, \$20, and \$25), hair products (hair spray, conditioner, hair gel, hair oil); RTA Bus Passes or tokens (monthly passes \$55, weekly passes \$19).

(For more information, visit the website for more details: <a href="https://mercymanor.wixsite.com/mercymanor">https://mercymanor.wixsite.com/mercymanor</a>.)

#### Don't forget to attend the Greek Festival!

September 11 (11am—8pm), 12(11am-8pm), and 13 (11am-6pm), 2020 **Watch for more details!** Safe options for workers and attendees!

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 500 Belmonte Park North, Dayton, Ohio As we all know, things could change after we go to press with this newsletter. Please check the website for updates: <a href="https://www.daytongreekfestival.com/">https://www.daytongreekfestival.com/</a>

**NOTE:** Annunciation hosted CWU for the World Community Day Celebration in 2018. We were honored to tour this beautiful church!





#### **CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON**

#### Membership form for 2020—2021

#### Please turn this form in (with payment) to your church's Key Woman

Questions? Contact President Cecelia Long at cealong48@gmail.com or 937-972-7045.

Please Print:			
Name:			
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Church:			
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Key Woman:			
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Were you a CWU member last year	.7		

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL FEES AND DONATIONS (2020—2021)**

NAME OF CHURCH				
ADDRESS		ZIP	PHONE	
KEY WOMAN			PHONE	
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\*Annual membership for churches and organizations is \$25.00 MINIMUM. However, contributions in excess of this amount are greatly needed in order to help promote and carry out CWU's ongoing programs within our community. Your increased support is deeply appreciated. Please make checks payable to CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON and mail with form to:

Judith A. Philpot

617 Osmond Ave. Dayton, OH 45417

\*Key Women!! Please ask your church to partner with us by contributing a minimum of \$25.00.

#### **MEMBERSHIPS (2020 - 2021):**

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Church/ Organizational Memberships, and Individual memberships for 2020-2021 will be accepted from Key Women by mail to the treasurer now and at board meetings in September and October at Fairview United Methodist Church.

The forms may be found on pages 6 and 7 in this newsletter, as well as on our website. Go to www.cwudaytonoh.org. Click on **Who We Are**. Scroll down to Membership. The red word ("HERE") will lead you to open the individual and /

or the organizational forms. You have two choices: print the form and fill it out by hand or type on the form and then print it out. Either way, please give your money and the form to your key woman to mail now or take with her to the board meetings (September 22 or October 27, 2020).

Questions? Call Ina Green (937-344-6029)

**NOTE:** Memberships in CWU in Greater Dayton support Mercy Manor, Greater Dayton Christian Connections, Dayton International Peace Museum, Membership in State and National and other mission projects. Special offerings support UNICEF, Fellowship of the Least Coin, and Church World Service. Please send in your membership today!

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#### <u>CHURCH WOMEN UNITED IN GREATER DAYTON</u> — <u>2020-2021 EVENTS</u>:

August 11, 2020 (Tues.)	7:00 p.m.	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING</b> via ZOOM. Watch for info. from Cecelia.
August 25, 2020 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	BOARD MEETING: via ZOOM. Watch for information from Cecelia.
Sept. 12, 2020 (Sat.)	9:30-11:00 a.m.	CWS Kits collected: Normandy UMC, 450 W. Alex Bell Rd., Dayton 937-433-1636
Sept. 16, 2020 (Wed.)	1:30-4:00 p.m.	CWS Kits collected: Phillipsburg UMC, 43 S. State St., Phillipsburg 937-884-5563
Date TBA	Time TBA	CWU AREA C & D Meeting, Location TBA
Sept. 22, 2020 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	BOARD MEETING Fairview UMC, 828 W. Fairview Ave. (Catalpa / Fairview)
October 31, 2020 (Sat.)	VIRTUAL	CROP Walk (VIRTUAL). Checks "Church World Service/CROP Walk" to Ina Green.
Oct. 27, 2020 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	BOARD MEETING Fairview UMC, 828 W. Fairview Ave. (Catalpa / Fairview)
Nov. 14, 2020 (Sat.)	1:00 p.m.	WORLD COMMUNITY DAY: Greater Allen A.M.E. Church, 1620 W.5th St, Dayton
Dec. 9, 2020 (Wed.)	1:00 p.m.	CHRISTMAS TEA — Sugarcreek Presbyterian Church, 4417 Bigger Rd., Kettering
January 26. 2021 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:</b> Fairview UMC, 828 Fairview Ave.
Feb. 23, 2021 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	BOARD MEETING: Location to be announced.
Mar. 16, 2021 (Tues.)	9:30 a.m.	EMMA MURRAY PRAYER BREAKFAST—Fairview UMC, 828 W. Fairview Ave.
Apr. Date TBA	Time TBA	94th OCWU LEADERS COUNCIL and ANNUAL STATE ASSEMBLY
Apr. 27, 2021 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	<b>BOARD MEETING:</b> Location to be announced.
May 8, 2021 (Sat.)	1:00 p.m.	MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY: United Christian Church, 8611 Hoke Rd., Clayton
May 25, 2021 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	<b>BOARD MEETING:</b> Location to be announced.
June 7, 2021 (Mon.)	1:00 p.m.	HUMAN RIGHTS CELEBRATION / ANNUAL MEETING St. Margaret's
		Episcopal Church, 5301 Free Pike, Trotwood
Summer :Date TBA	Time TBA	2021 QUADRENNIAL ASSEMBLY Details to be announced.
June 22, 2021 (Tues.)	1:00 p.m.	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:</b> Fairview U.M.C., 828 Fairview Ave.

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